GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
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ALLOCATION FOR NORTH EAST
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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) total accrual and current balance in the non-lapsable pool of resources created out of the unspent balance of the ten percent budgetary allocation of each Ministry for the North Eastern Region showing the year-wise accrual and actual disbursements made to the Ministry of DONER;

(b) the Ministries, which are exempted from making ten percent budgetary allocation for the North Eastern Region;

(c) whether some mega projects are directly funded from this pool; and

(d) if so, the project-wise allocation made and balance amount available with the Ministry of Finance ?

Answer

Minister, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region(Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar)

(a) Information on the year-wise accruals in the Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) and allocations made under the NLCPR Scheme in the budget of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (M/DoNER) since the inception of the Scheme is as given below:

S.No. Year Unspent balances accruing to the Non-Lapsable Fund during the year
Budget allocated under NLCPR Scheme to M/DoNER

		(Rs. crores)	(Rs. crores)
1.	1998-99	1189.85 @	106.34
2.	1999-2000	1571.78 @	409.96
3.	2000-01	1440.60 @	309.25
4.	2001-02	1603.84 @	491.57
5.	2002-03	1339.70	550.00
6.	2003-04	657.24	550.00
7	2004-05	663.35	650.00
8.	2005-06	1960.12	679.17
9.	2006-07	1329.53	700.00
10.	2007-08	600.00	

Provisional @. In addition, an amount of Rs. 1605.38 cr, i.e., the expenditure incurred by the North Eastern Council in the initial 4 years, i.e., 1998-99 to 2001-02, was also deducted from the Pool. Ministry of Finance has been requested to reconcile the discrepancy of an amount of Rs. 29.60 cr.
The balance in the NLCPR, as on 1.4.2007 is Rs. 5074.74 cr (Provisional).

(b) Ministries / Departments which are exempted from making Lump Sum budgetary allocation for the North Eastern Region (as on 1st January 2007 are:
(i) Atomic Energy,
(ii) Company Affairs,
(iii) Economic Affairs,
(iv) Expenditure,
(v) External Affairs,
(vi) Legal Affairs,
(vii) Earth Sciences,
(viii) Official Language,
(ix) Personnel & Training, (x) Petroleum & Natural Gas, (xi) Planning, (xii) Revenue,
(xiii) Social Justice & Empowerment, (xiv) Steel, (xv) Space, (xvi) Science & Technology and (xvii) Scientific & Industrial Research.

In respect of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, only 2% of the funds for Scheduled Caste Division (SCD) of the Ministry

are allocated to the NE. The norm of 10% allocation is applied to sectors other than SCD.

(c) & (d) No, Sir. No mega projects are directly funded from this pool. The balance in the NLCPR, as on 1.4.2007 is Rs. 5074.74 cr (Provisional).